GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

W.D. & C.W. – Implementation of Special Nutrition Programme for Pregnant, Lactating Women and Children below 6 years to Scheduled Caste (SC) under S.C. Sub-Plan and to Scheduled Tribe (ST) under S.T. Sub-Plan and also other categories under General budget to improve the nutritional status in the state – Guidelines – Issued.

DEPT., FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN, DIFFERENTLY ABLED & SENIOR CITIZENS

G.O.MS.No. 7 Dated: 13-04-2018.
Read the following:-

1. G.O.Rt.No.7, Dept., for W.C.D.A. &S.Cs (Prog.I), dt: 06-04-2018.
2. From the Special Commissioner, W.D. & C.W., Guntur, Letter No.ICDS-WD&CW, dated 03-04-2018.
3. From the Special Commissioner, W.D. & C.W., Guntur, Letter No.WDCW/Addl. Nutrition, dated 12-04-2018.

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ORDER:

As per the National Family Heath Survey- 4 (2015-16), the nutritional status of women (age 15-49 years) is as follows:

(a) Women whose Body Mass Index (BMI) is below normal (BMI < 18.5 kg/m2)14 (%): Rural 20.3; Urban 11.5 and Total: 17.6%.

(b) Non-pregnant women age 15-49 years who are anaemic (<12.0 g/dl) (%):Rural 61.5; Urban 57.2 and Total: 60.2%.

(c) Pregnant women age 15-49 years who are anaemic (<11.0 g/dl) (%): Rural 51.6; Urban 57.1 and Total: 52.9.

(d) All women age 15-49 years who are anaemic (%): Rural 61.1; Urban 57.2 and Total: 60.0%

2. Keeping in view to reduce malnourishment in Children and anaemia among adolescent girls, pregnant, lactating women, the Government of India has set-up a national level mission i.e., **National Nutrition Mission (NNM) – [PoshanAbhiyan]** under the monitoring control of NITI Ayog and Ministry of Women and Child Development.

3. The NNM is to ensure convergence with various programmes i.e., Anganwadi Services Scheme; Pradhan Mantri MatruVandanaYojana (PMMVY) and Scheme for Adolescent Girls of Ministry of Women and Child Development; Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) and National Health Mission (NHM) of MoH&FW; Swatch Bharat Mission of Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation (DW&S); Public Distribution System (PDS) of Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (CAF&PD); Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) of Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD); Drinking Water and Toilets with Ministry of Panchayati Raj and Urban Local Bodies through Ministry of Urban Development. Mapping of various schemes contribution towards addressing malnutrition shall form the basis of the Convergence Action Plan.

4. The Goals of National Nutrition Mission are to achieve improvement in nutritional status of children from 0-6 years, Pregnant and Lactating Mothers in a time bound manner during the next three years beginning from 2017-18 with fixed targets as under:

Objective	Target
Prevent and reduce stunting in children (0-6 years)	By 6% @ 2% per annum
Prevent and reduce under-weight in children	By 6% @ 2% per annum

(0-6 years)	
Reduce the prevalence of anaemia among young children (6-59 months)	By 9% @ 3% per annum
Reduce the prevalence of anaemia among pregnant women and adolescent girls (15-49 years)	By 9% @ 3% per annum
Reduce Low birth weight (LBW)	By 6% @ 2% per annum

5. The Mission aims to reduce burden of mal-nourishment in the country in a phased manner, through the life cycle concept, by adopting a synergised and result oriented approach. The mission will ensure mechanisms for timely service delivery and a robust monitoring as well intervention infrastructure. Target of Mission is to bring down nation's stunting of the children in the age group of 0-6 years from 38.4% to 25% by the year 2022.

6. In the reference 1st read above, administrative sanction orders were issued to the Special Commissioner, W.D. & C.W., Guntur for implementation of Nutrition Mission in the State.

7. Government has decided to implement Special Nutrition Programme for all Women and Children below 6 years irrespective of their Community to address the malnutrition challenges and the following guidelines are hereby issued **for implementation of Special Nutrition Program for Pregnant, Lactating Women and Children below 6 years for Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and other categories (general) to improve the nutritional status in the State as follows:-**

I) Special Nutrition program [as Additional Nutrition to the existing Supplementary Nutrition Programme] will be implemented under Special Nutrition Mission with the financial support from Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe Sub Plans and for other categories from State Development Fund

(A) <u>SPECIAL NUTRITION PROGRAMME FOR SCHEDULE CASTE:</u> The Programme proposed additional nutrition to Women and children in Schedule Caste areas

(i) Anganwadi centers with 100% Scheduled Caste population, irrespective of nutritional status (Pregnant, Lactating women and Children < 6 years)

(ii) Anganwadi centers having >75% registered beneficiaries of Scheduled Caste categories (Pregnant, Lactating women and Children < 6 years), irrespective of nutritional status from Schedules Caste population across the state

(iii) Anganwadi centers having anaemic/high risk Pregnant, Lactating women and malnourished Children < 6 years [SUW, SAM and MAM] from Schedules Caste population across the state.

(B) <u>SPECIAL NUTRITION PROGRAMME FOR SCHEDULE TRIBE:</u> The programme proposed additional nutrition to Women and children in Schedule Tribe areas

The children < 6 years in 24 tribal ICDS projects covering 5 high density tribal districts of Srikakulam, Vizianagaram, Visakhapatnam, East Godavari and West Godavari are being provided with additional nutrition irrespective of their nutritional status under Giri Gorumuddalu programme.

Proposed additional nutrition to Women and Children in Schedule Tribe areas

(i) Pregnant, Lactating women of all Anganwadi centers of 24 tribal ICDS projects irrespective of their nutritional status. Children are being provided additional nutrition under GiriGorumuddalu programme.

(ii) Pregnant, Lactating women and Children < 6 years in all the Anganwadi Centers of 172 villages/hamlets (primitive tribal groups) of the 3 districts of Kurnool, Guntur, Prakasam under the control of ITDA Srisailam (irrespective of their nutritional status)

(iii) Pregnant, Lactating women and Children < 6 years in all the Anganwadi Centers of ST population of 1778 villages/hamlets in Nellore District (irrespective of their nutritional status)

(iv) Anganwadi centers having anaemic/high risk Pregnant, Lactating women and malnourished children < 6 years [SUW, SAM and MAM] from Scheduled Tribe population living in plain areas across the state

(C) SPECIAL NUTRITION PROGRAMME FOR OTHER CATEGORIES (GENERAL):

The programme providing additional nutrition to Women and children in general categories, from State Development Plan (SDP Funds)

Anganwadi centers having anaemic/ high risk Pregnant, Lactating women (estimated 10%) and malnourished children < 6 years [SUW, SAM and MAM] from other categories (excluding above said categories of scheduled caste and scheduled tribe population) across the state

The additional nutrition to women and children in other categories shall be provided as per the data base available for SUW, SAM and MAM in the ICDS MIS i.e., Nutri-TASC and 10% Anaemic/high risk Pregnant, Lactating Women as per Health MIS.

II) **Procurement Procedure**

The required food commodities shall be procured by the concerned Project Director at district level through District Purchase Committees (DPC) under the chairmanship of Joint Collector and supply at the doorstep of Anganwadi centers as per the requirement of every month with the approval of the District Collector.

The District Purchase Committee may be advised to procure commodities (millets/whole grains/etc) based on the local specific socio-cultural, food practices which are more likey to be consumed by women and children.

III) Food models to be implemented

(a) additional nutrition to pregnant and lactating women for 25 days in a month, the food model to be provided shall be decided by the respective district as per the available local commodities, socio-cultural practices followed by the communities

(b) additional nutrition to children below 6 years:

(i) Children 7 months to 3 years: Daily Egg [2 Eggs from regular SNP and 4 Eggs from additional nutrition in a week] Daily Milk from additional nutrition 25 days in a month

(ii) Children 3-6 years: Daily Egg [4 Eggs from regular SNP and 2 Eggs from additional nutrition in a week] & Daily Milk from additional nutrition 25 days in a month

(c) The food models should include fruit and millet based preparations and groundnut chikki, in addition to the ones proposed above.

(d) The beneficiaries in hill top locations of tribal areas and inaccessible areas to be provided the supplementary nutrition under AAH and additional nutrition as Take Home Ration through the Anganwadi center of the concerned area.

IV) Tentative costing

Pregnant Women & Lactating Mothers	Rs.16/- per day per beneficiary for 25 days in a month
Children 7 months to 3 years & 3-6 years	Egg - Rs.4.68/- per day per beneficiary Milk - Rs.4.20/- per day per beneficiary

The expenditure can be met from the Special Nutrition Program for providing the additional nutrition.

V) Monitoring

The regular tracking of beneficiary attendance, nutritional status shall be monitored through Common Application Software introduced under National Nutrition Mission and also through ICDS, MIS (Nutri-TASC) for effective implementation of the programme and to ensure tracking of the nutritional status of registered beneficiaries and to ensure accurate coverage of beneficiaries

VI) The following committees will monitor the programme at Anganwadi level for effective implementation of the special nutrition program in Uran/Rural areas:

RURAL AREAS AND TRIBAL ANGANWADI CENTRES

- Panchayat Secretary- Chairperson
- Local Primary school teacher,(if available within 1km distance)
- Mahila Sadhikara Mitra
- Health Department Representative- Local PHC Doctor/ANM/Asha worker
- Representatives of Children
- Female Ward Members of the Panchayath
- JB Committee member of the area (if available) shall also be informed to participate in the meeting with the above mentioned committee
- Representative of Pregnant and Lactating Women.
- Anganwadi worker (Convener)

URBAN AREAS:

- ICDS Supervisor – Chairperson
- Primary school teacher of Local Govt. School.
- Representative of the Municipal Commissioner's office like Bill Collector
- Chairman of Slum Level Federation
- JB Committee Member
- MahilaArogyaSamithiKaryakartha
- Mahila Sadhikara Mitra
- Health Department Representative- Local PHC Doctor/ANM/Asha worker
- Representatives of Children
- Anganwadi Worker - Convener

VII) The above mentioned committee shall:

1. Meet once in a month
2. Ensure 100% enrolment of the eligible beneficiaries
3. Ensure the decided menu is implemented and all the registered beneficiaries are covered under the programme
4. Monitoring the attendance of the registered beneficiaries and utilization of commodities supplied to Anganwadicenter
5. Reviewing the home visits done by Anganwadi workers and record the major observations (if any)
6. Reviewing the Growth monitoring conducted by Anganwadi workers and record the major observations (if any)

7. Recommend the demand of the community for replacing of any commodity and to forward the recommendation to the District Purchase Committee through proper channel

VIII) Concerned Anganwadi worker shall record the minutes of the committee meeting

IX) The monitoring Committees should also comprise of a health nominee like ANM or Aasha, SadhikaraMitra, Representative of Children. At least two SC and ST Members should be present to ensure that the sub-plan implementation is done properly.

X) The numbers of beneficiaries indicated are provisional and they can be increased if a Committee of ANM/ASHA/Anganwadi worker/ lady member of panchayat certify that they are eligible and have not been covered.

XI) Coverage description:

(a) Special Nutrition Programme for S.Cs.:- Scheduled caste (AWCs with 75% and above populated): All Pregnant, Lactating women and Children 7 months to 3 years and 3-6 years are covered.

(b) Special Nutrition Programme for S.Cs.:- Scheduled caste (AWCs with SC population across the state [excluding above]): Anaemic women and malnourished children are covered.

(c) Special Nutrition Programme for S.Ts.:- Scheduled tribe (1) (24 ICDS projects and tribal habituated in 4 districts i.e., Guntur, Prakasam, Kurnool and SPSR Nellore, as notified by the ITDA Srisailam) pregnant, lactating women are covered.

(d) Special Nutrition Programme for S.Ts.:- Scheduled Tribe living in plain areas across the state anaemic women and all malnourished children are covered.

(e) All the anaemic, high risk pregnant and lactating women & malnourished children excluding the above mentioned categories a,b,c,d) covered under general category programme under State Development Plan.

8. The Special Nutrition Programme is meant for S.Cs. S.Ts. and other categories will be paid under S.C. Sub-Plan, S.T. Sub-Plan and General State plan respectively.

9. The Special Commissioner, W.D. & C.W., Guntur, shall take necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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